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THE BROKEN SABER OF
SKYWALKER



A FRACTURED ALLIANCE

In a desperate battle with the Killdroids, Luke and the rebel heroes managed to get the Path engine back to the Longbeam, but Luke's hand and lightsaber were crushed by one of the monstrous droids in the process.

With a little help from Lobot and the Kezarat Colony, the rebels were able to use the Path engine to get out of No-Space and offered to bring members of the colony along with them.

Having made their way out of No-Space, Luke now faces the reality that he's going to need to face Darth Vader again in the future, and he's going to need a new lightsaber. . . .

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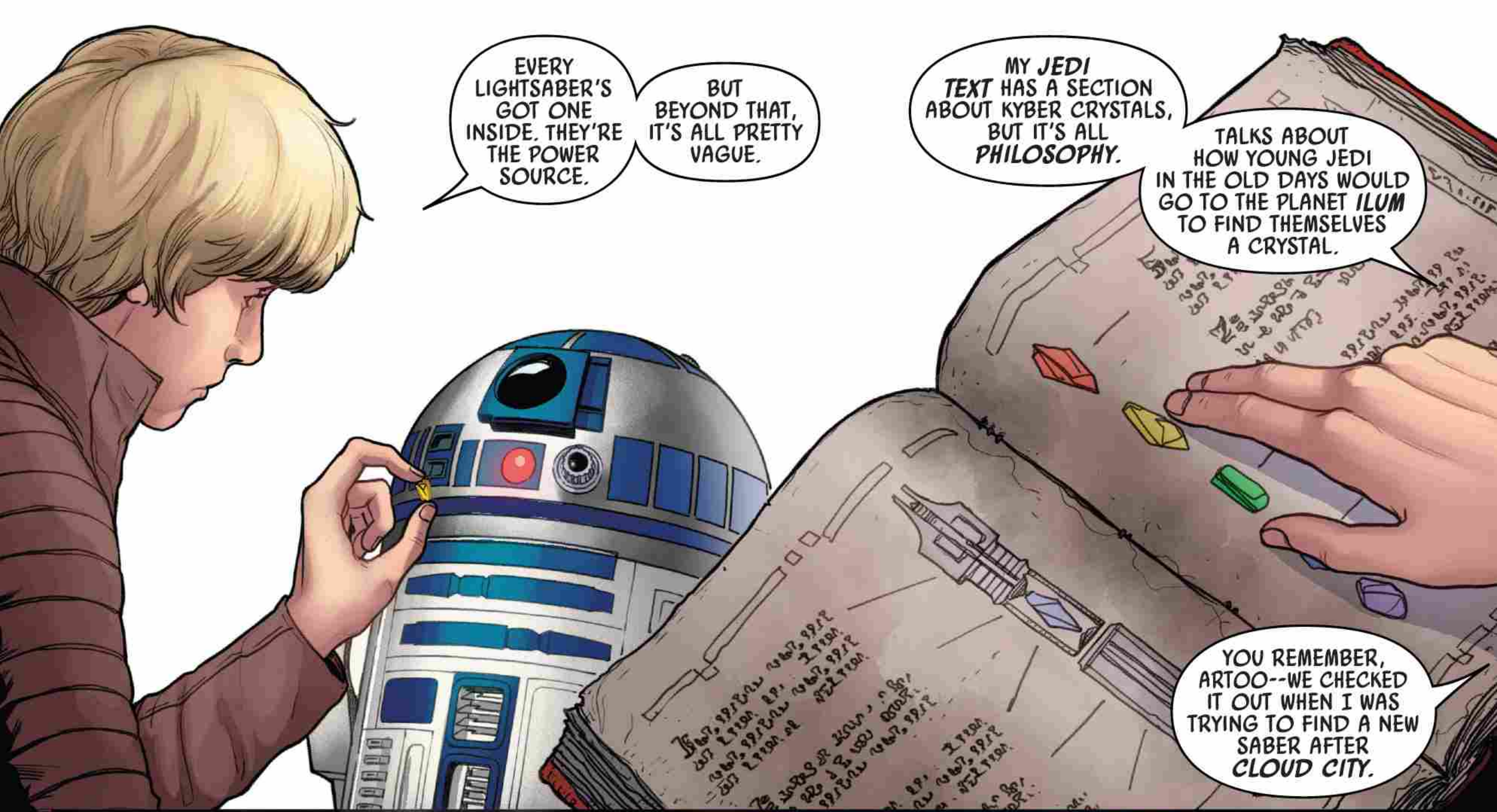
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The Rebel Alliance Fleet.
Home One.





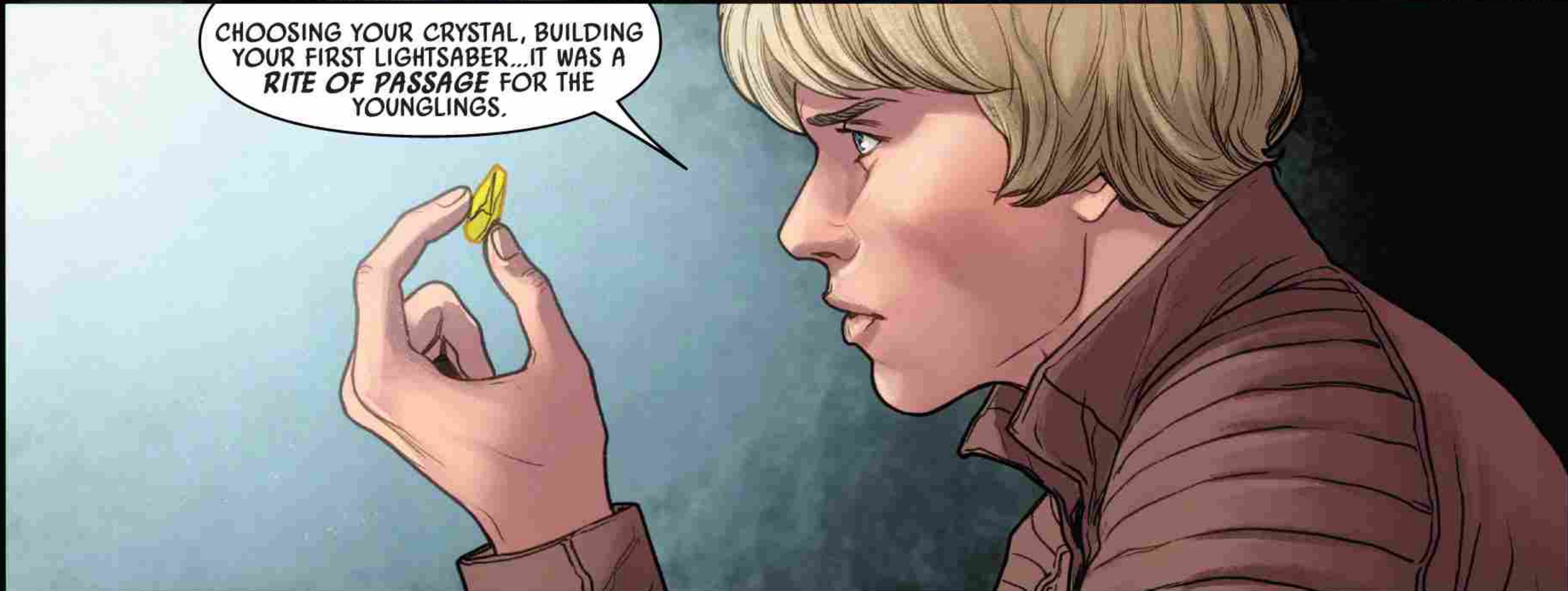
EVERY LIGHTSABER'S GOT ONE INSIDE. THEY'RE THE POWER SOURCE.

BUT BEYOND THAT, IT'S ALL PRETTY VAGUE.

MY JEDI TEXT HAS A SECTION ABOUT KYBER CRYSTALS, BUT IT'S ALL PHILOSOPHY.

TALKS ABOUT HOW YOUNG JEDI IN THE OLD DAYS WOULD GO TO THE PLANET *ILUM* TO FIND THEMSELVES A CRYSTAL.

YOU REMEMBER, ARTOO--WE CHECKED IT OUT WHEN I WAS TRYING TO FIND A NEW SABER AFTER *CLOUD CITY*.



CHOOSING YOUR CRYSTAL, BUILDING YOUR FIRST LIGHTSABER...IT WAS A *RITE OF PASSAGE* FOR THE YOUNGLINGS.

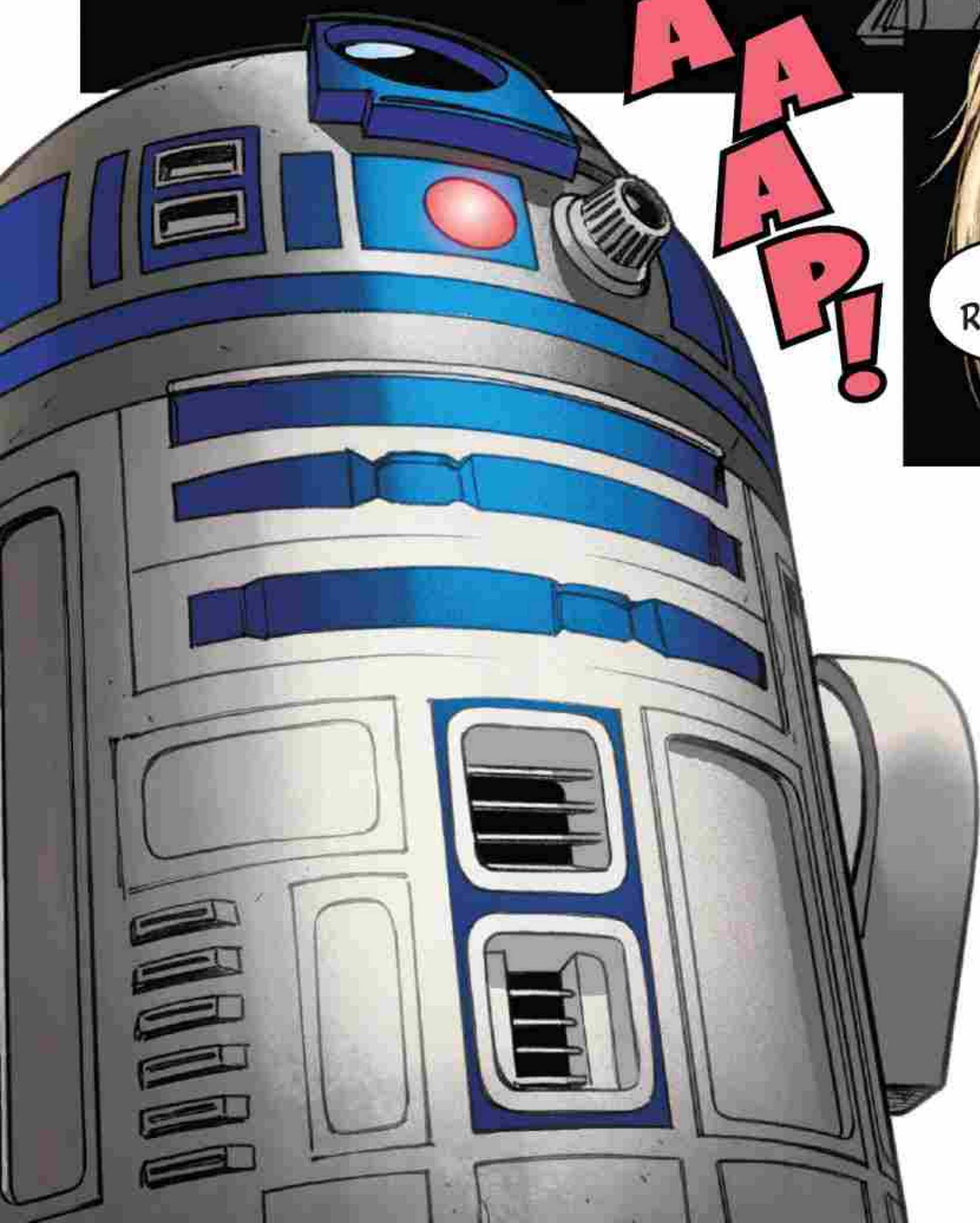
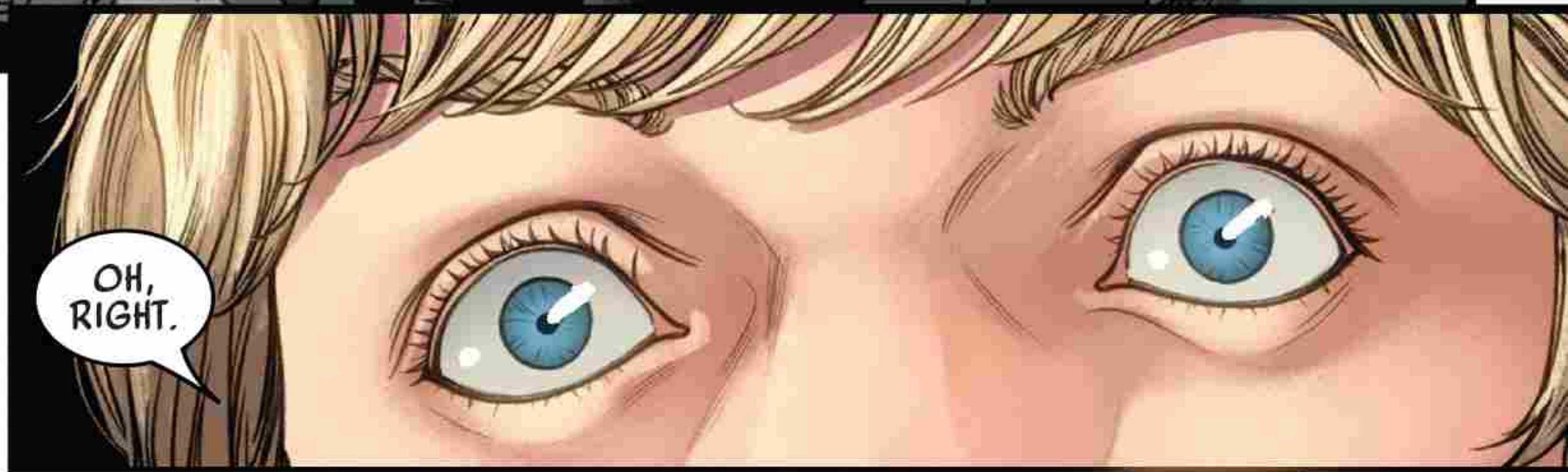
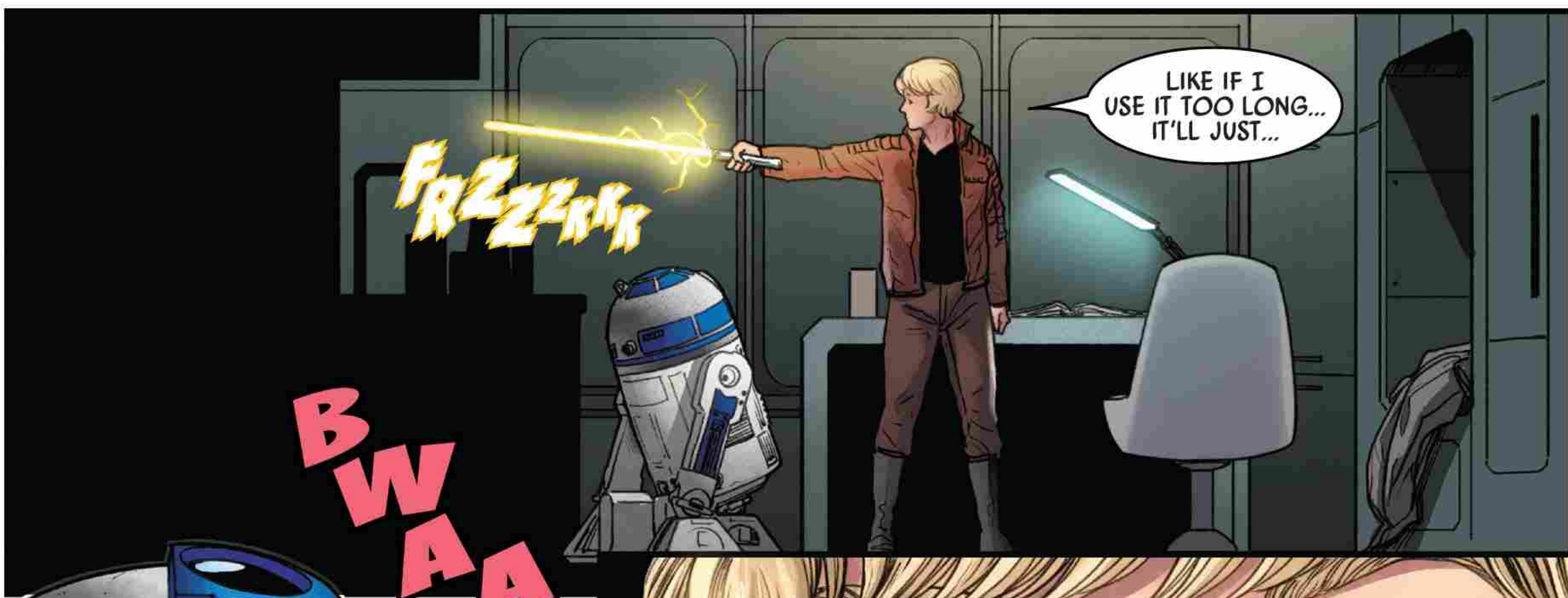
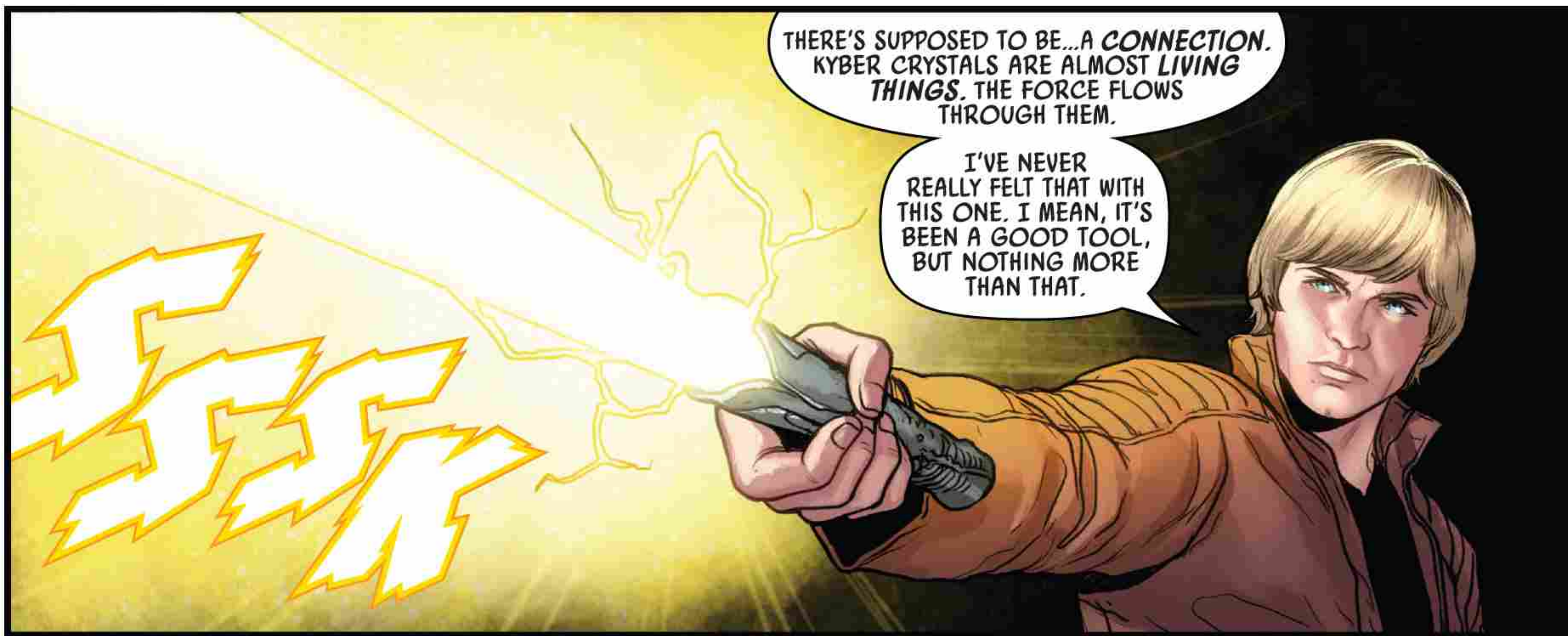


YODA AND BEN NEVER TAUGHT ME *ANY* OF THIS STUFF. I GUESS THEY DIDN'T THINK I'D NEED IT, SINCE I ALREADY *HAD* A LIGHTSABER.

BUT THE ONE BEN GAVE ME WASN'T *MINE*. NOT IN THE WAY THIS BOOK TALKS ABOUT.



AND NEITHER IS THIS ONE.





I NEED TO FIX MY SABER...BUT THIS BOOK ISN'T VERY USEFUL. IT'S ALL ABOUT THE SPIRITUALITY OF KYBER AND THE WAY JEDI USE THEM TO TOUCH THE FORCE.

IT'S GOT THIS LITTLE NOTE-- "FOR MORE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS IN LIGHTSABER-BUILDING TECHNIQUES, PLEASE REFER TO VOLUME FIVE OF PROFESSOR HUYANG'S TECHNICAL MANUAL."



NOT HELPFUL.

THOUGH IT'S NICE TO THINK THERE MIGHT BE OTHER BOOKS OUT THERE TO FIND.



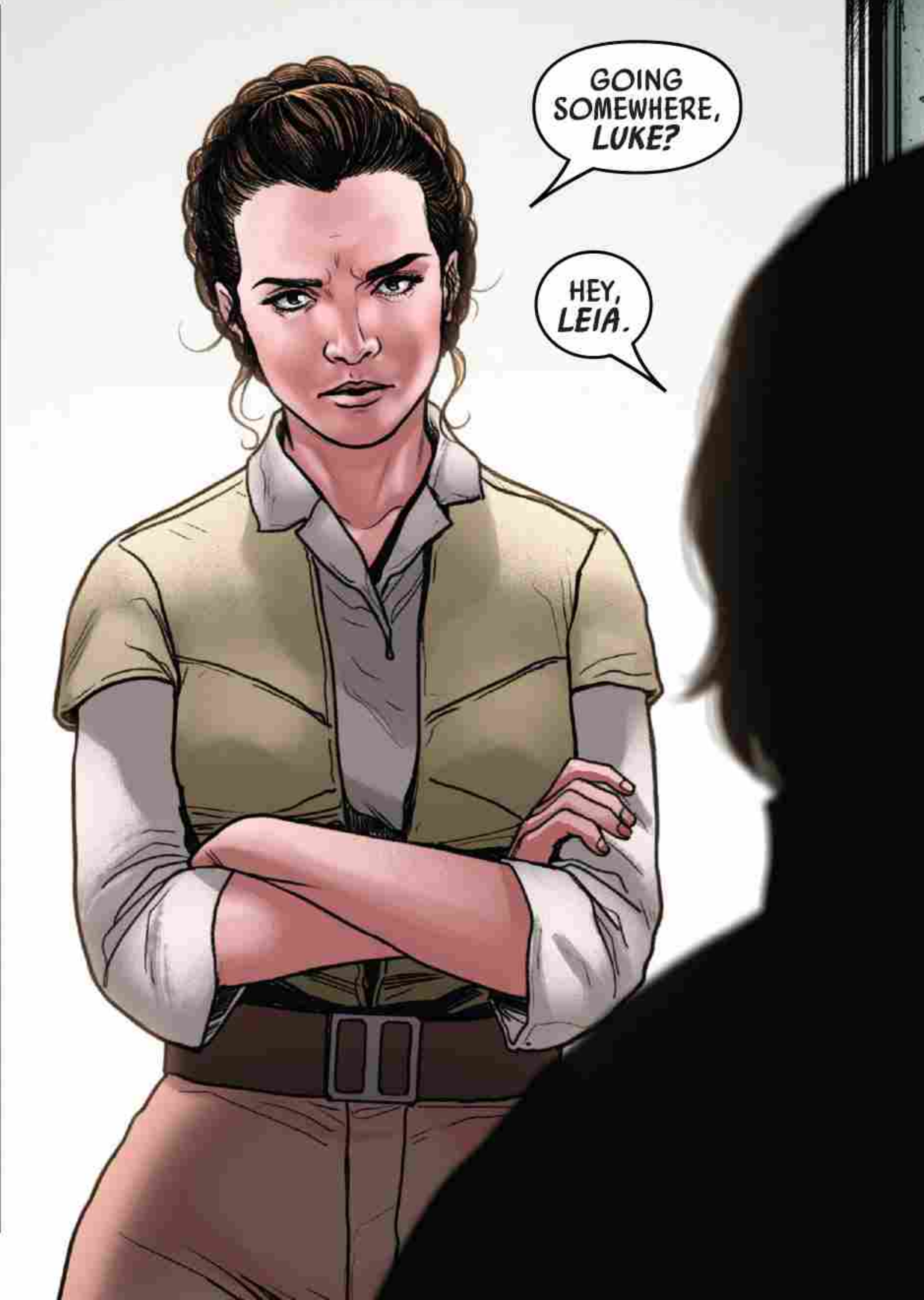
I'M PRETTY SURE I NEED A NEW *CRYSTAL*. THIS WORKED FINE BEFORE IT GOT CRACKED.

ILUM WOULD BE EASIEST, BUT THE EMPIRE'S GOT IT LOCKED DOWN.



THE TEXT MENTIONS A FEW OTHER WORLDS, THOUGH. WHADDYA SAY, BUDDY-- YOU WANT TO GO ON A TREASURE HUNT?

**DWEEP
DWEEP
DWEEP!**



GOING SOMEWHERE, LUKE?

HEY, LEIA.



YOU KNOW HOW MY LIGHTSABER'S BEEN GIVING ME TROUBLE? I'M JUST GOING TO HEAD OUT TO THIS PLANET I FOUND IN MY BOOK. SHOULD GET IT FIXED RIGHT UP.

BUT... ALONE? IS THE FORCE STILL... STRANGE?



IT IS. SOMETIMES I REACH FOR IT AND IT FEELS LIKE I CAN LIFT A MOUNTAIN. OTHER TIMES, IT'S NOT THERE AT ALL.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON WITH IT. IT'S A LITTLE BETTER THAN IT WAS, BUT...



ANYWAY, I WON'T BE GOING ALONE, LEIA. ARTOO WILL BE WITH ME. I'LL BE FINE.

LUKE...ARE YOU SURE THIS IS A GOOD IDEA? YOU KNOW WE'RE PLANNING AN OFFENSIVE. YOU'RE AN INCREDIBLE PILOT. YOU DON'T NEED A LIGHTSABER TO HELP THE ALLIANCE.

AND HONESTLY... YOU DON'T **SEEM** FINE.



IT'S JUST...I HAVE **NO IDEA** WHY THE FORCE IS ACTING STRANGE RIGHT NOW. I DON'T KNOW HOW TO FIX MY LIGHTSABER.

EVERY TIME I THINK I HAVE A HANDLE ON BEING A JEDI, SOMETHING HAPPENS TO KICK ME BACK. THE GROUND UNDER MY FEET JUST... DISAPPEARS.

I'M GOING TO HAVE TO FACE VADER AGAIN, AND I AM NOT READY. I DON'T EVEN HAVE A **LIGHTSABER** I CAN RELY ON.



I JUST NEED TO...**TAKE CONTROL**, YOU KNOW? TAKE ACTION.

I NEED THIS, LEIA.



I NEED THIS.

Christophsis.

B-D-DWORP?

THIS IS AN IMPERIAL WORLD, BUT THEY DON'T MAINTAIN MUCH OF A PERMANENT PRESENCE, ARTOO.

AS LONG AS WE'RE CAREFUL, I THINK WE'LL BE OKAY.

DWLOORP?

JUST BECAUSE THERE AREN'T MANY IMPERIALS HERE DOESN'T MEAN I CAN LAND AN X-WING AT A SPACEPORT AND NOT GET NOTICED.

WE NEED TO STAY AWAY FROM THE BIG CITIES.

I SET US DOWN NEAR ONE OF THE MINING TOWNS WHERE THE CRYSTAL PROSPECTORS COME TO SELL THEIR FINDS.

WE'RE A WAYS OUT, JUST TO BE SAFE. I WISH WE HAD A **SPEEDER BIKE**, BUT **T-65S** DON'T HAVE ENOUGH CARGO SPACE TO FIT ONE.

WE'LL GET THERE.

BEEP?

I KNOW WHAT THAT BEEP MEANS, ARTOO. YOU WANT TO KNOW THE PLAN.

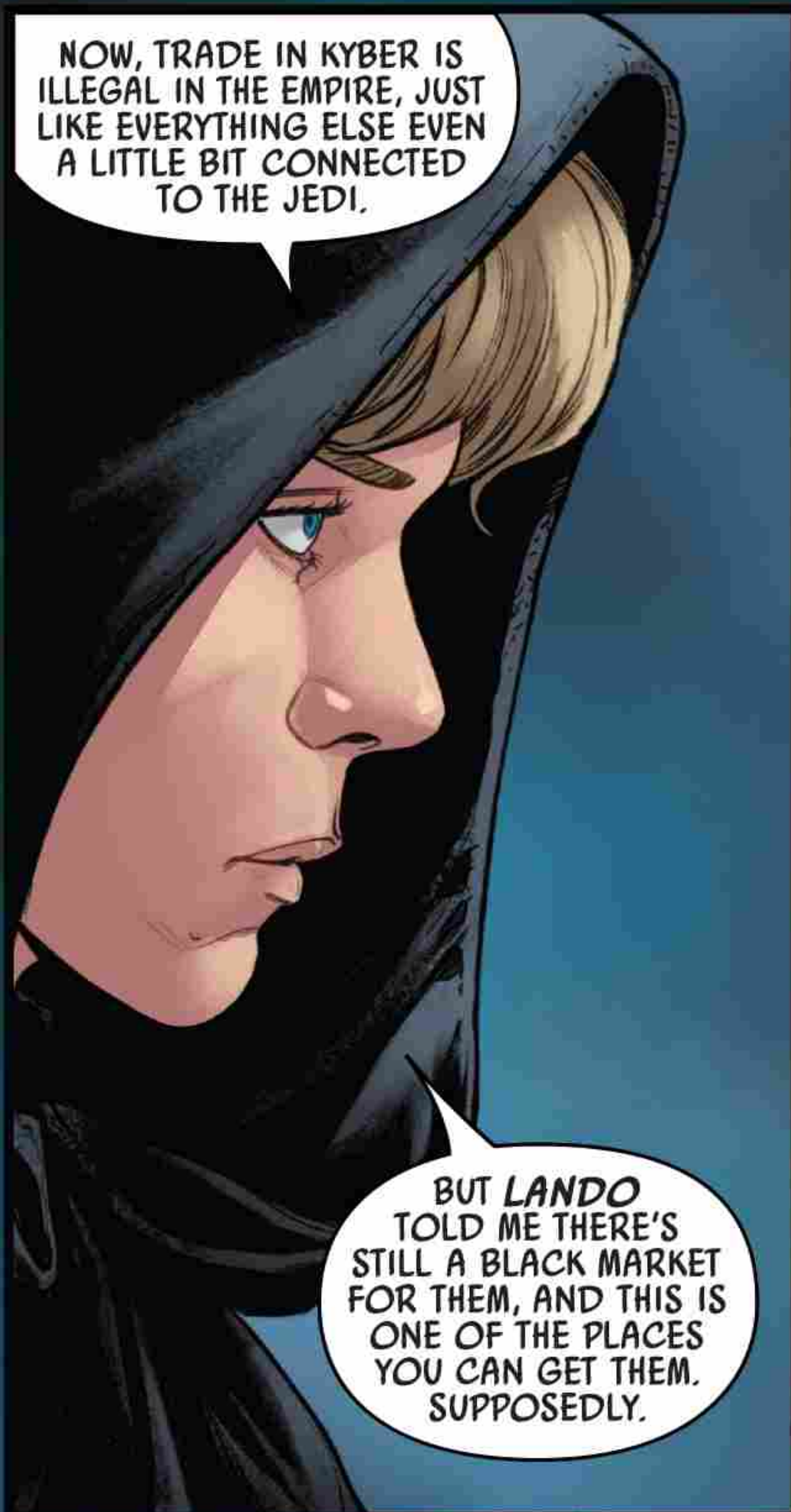
I WOULDN'T SAY I HAVE ONE, EXACTLY. NOT YET. BUT I'VE GOT GOOD NEWS.

WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF TIME TO FIGURE IT OUT.



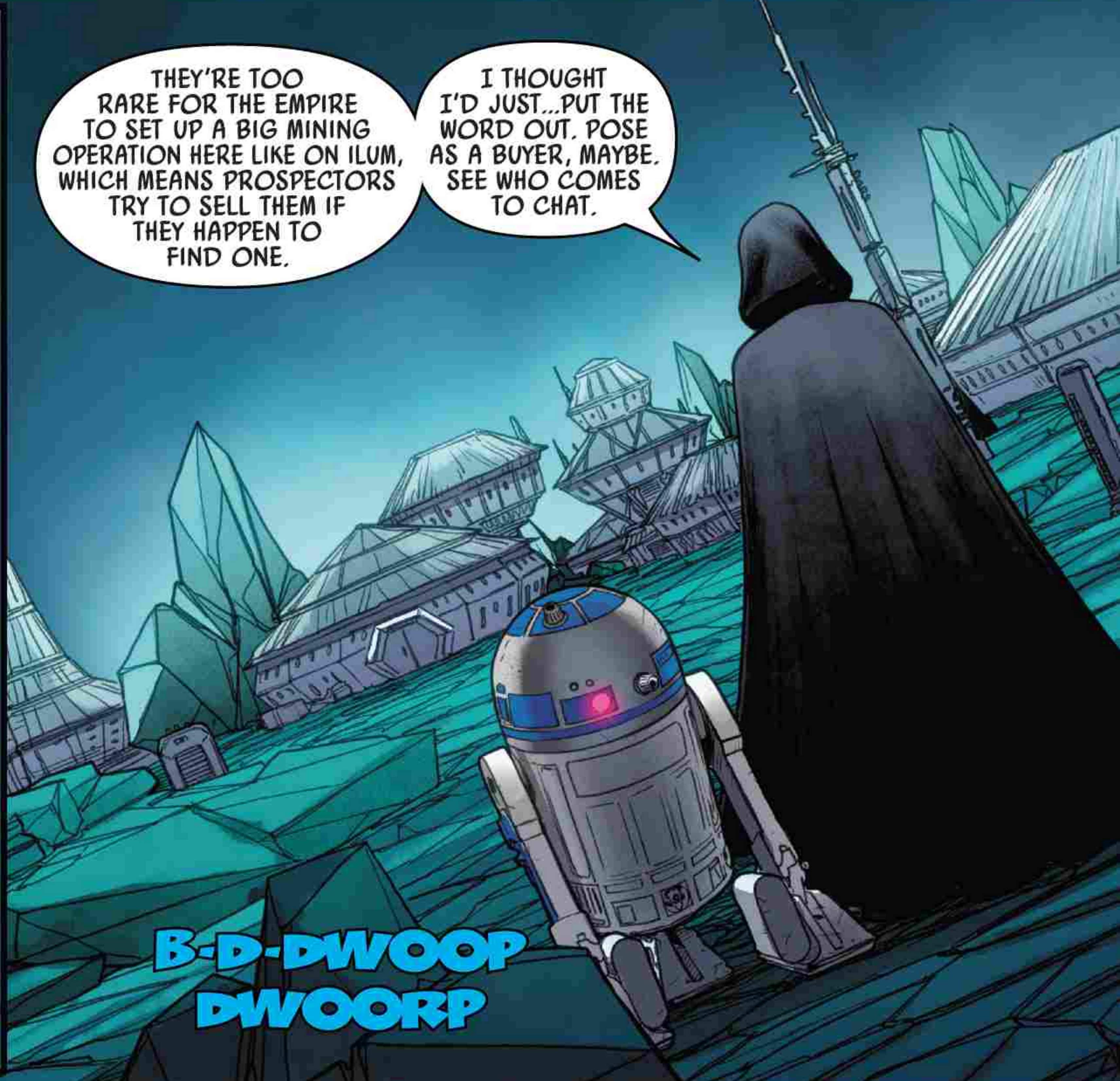
ACCORDING TO MY BOOK, *CHRISTOPHISIS* IS ONE OF ONLY A FEW PLACES IN THE GALAXY WHERE KYBER CRYSTALS CAN BE FOUND ON A PRETTY REGULAR BASIS.

THEY'RE STILL REALLY RARE HERE-- ILUM'S GOT A LOT MORE-- BUT SOMETHING ABOUT THE PLANET'S MAKEUP HAS THEM POP UP FROM TIME TO TIME.



NOW, TRADE IN KYBER IS ILLEGAL IN THE EMPIRE, JUST LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE EVEN A LITTLE BIT CONNECTED TO THE JEDI.

BUT *LANDO* TOLD ME THERE'S STILL A BLACK MARKET FOR THEM, AND THIS IS ONE OF THE PLACES YOU CAN GET THEM, SUPPOSEDLY.



THEY'RE TOO RARE FOR THE EMPIRE TO SET UP A BIG MINING OPERATION HERE LIKE ON ILUM, WHICH MEANS PROSPECTORS TRY TO SELL THEM IF THEY HAPPEN TO FIND ONE.

I THOUGHT I'D JUST...PUT THE WORD OUT. POSE AS A BUYER, MAYBE. SEE WHO COMES TO CHAT.

**B-D-DWOOP
DWOORP**



I GET IT, ARTOO. IT'S NOT MUCH OF A PLAN. I NEVER EXPECTED THIS TO BE EASY.

I'LL GO IN, GET THE LAY OF THE LAND. YOU STAY HERE AND KEEP MY LIGHTSABER SAFE.

I CAN'T GET MUCH USE OUT OF IT RIGHT NOW ANYWAY, AND I DON'T EXACTLY WANT TO ADVERTISE THAT I'M A JEDI.

DWIP



DON'T WORRY, ARTOO. I'LL BE FINE. AND IF I GET INTO ANY TROUBLE, YOU CAN SAVE THE DAY.

YOU CAN BE MY BACKUP PLAN.

DWIIIP...





KRNC

MMM.
PRETTY GOOD.

TOLD YOU.
SO...



...BUSINESS,
HUH?

WHAT
KIND OF
BUSINESS WERE
YOU LOOKING TO
TRANSACTION,
FRIEND?

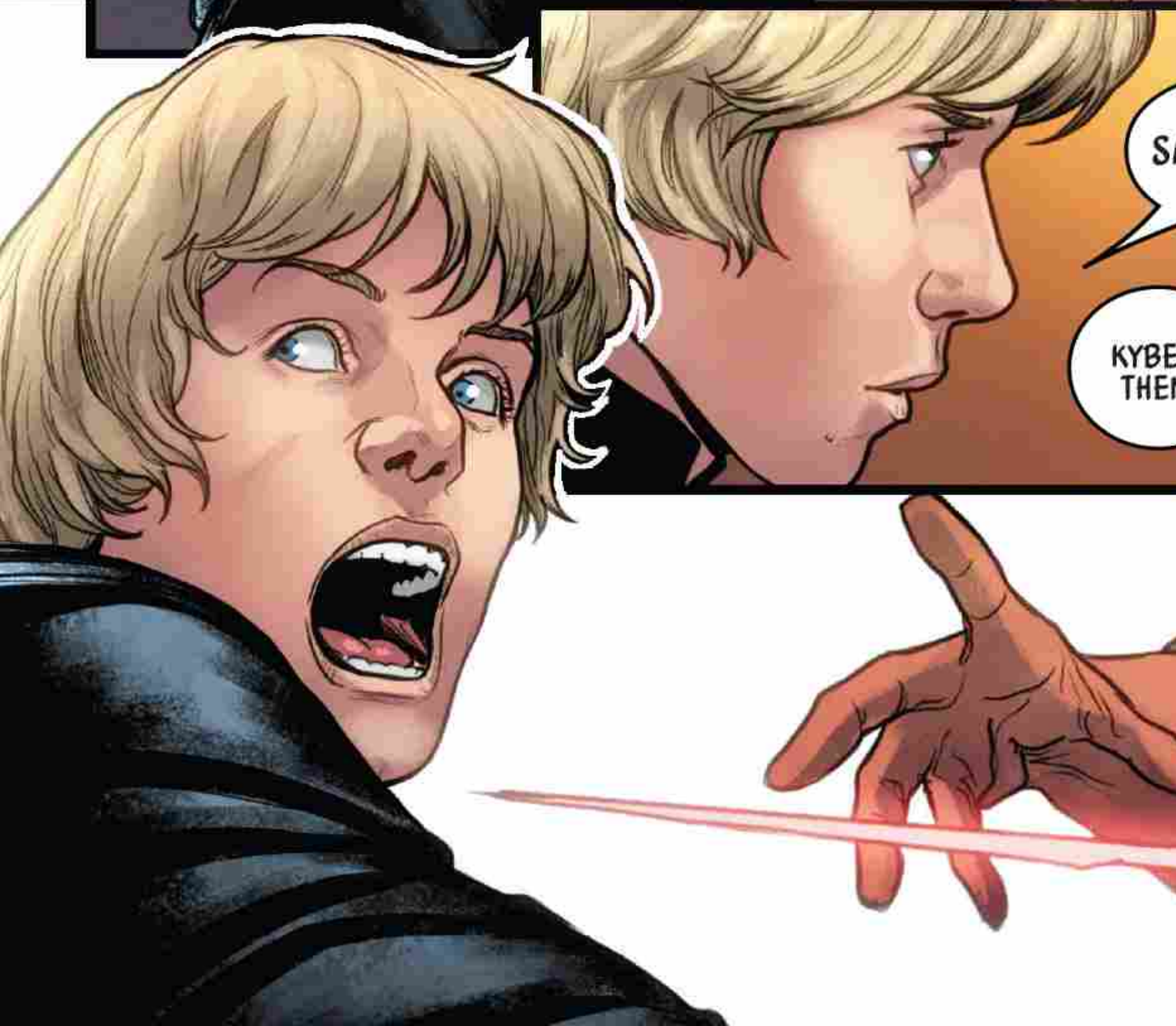
OH, YOU
KNOW. CHRISTOPHIS
HAS A REPUTATION FOR
HAVING SOME OF THE
BEST GEMS
AROUND.

WAS THINKING
I MIGHT TRY TO SOURCE
SOME RARE PIECES DIRECTLY
FROM THE PROSPECTORS,
RATHER THAN BUYING FROM
THE CORE WORLDS AFTER
THE MARKUPS.



SMART PLAN. ANYTHING
IN PARTICULAR? I KNOW
JUST ABOUT EVERYONE
AROUND HERE--THEY ALL
COME THROUGH
MY PLACE.

COULD POINT
YOU IN THE RIGHT
DIRECTION IF YOU'RE
WILLING TO PAY A LITTLE
FINDER'S FEE...BIG
SPENDER. JUST LET ME
KNOW WHAT YOU'RE
LOOKING FOR.



LIKE I
SAID. RARE. THE
RAREST.

KYBER,
THEN.



AAGH!



ZZK

ZZK

STOP!

ZZK

YOU...

...YOU JUST KILLED THEM ALL.

UH-HUH.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT, LUKE SKYWALKER?

DWOORP! DWOORP!

EXPLAIN YOURSELF.

WHp

NOW.

I JUST SAVED YOUR LIFE. LOOK BEHIND THE BAR.

MY NAME'S GRETTA, BY THE WAY.

HNH.

I'M GOING TO NEED MORE THAN THAT.



WHATEVER
YOU SAY,
JEDI.

DO YOU
REALLY THINK THIS
TOWN SURVIVES BECAUSE
OF THE OCCASIONAL
PROSPECTOR *STRIKING*
IT RICH?

THIS WHOLE
PLACE LIVES ON
THE *BOUNTY*,
SKYWALKER.

WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?

YOU'RE NOT THE FIRST
IDIOT TO COME WALKING
IN HERE THINKING THEY
CAN BUY KYBER FROM
THE LOCALS.

ANYONE WHO
COMES LOOKING, THEY
TAKE PRISONER, AND
THEN THEY *SELL THEM TO*
THE *EMPIRE*. EVERYONE
HERE'S IN ON IT. IT'S
HOW THEY MAKE
THEIR LIVING.

OR...
HOW THEY DID,
ANYWAY.

WHY DID
YOU SAVE
ME?

BECAUSE
YOU'RE A *JEDI*.
MAYBE THE *ONLY*
JEDI. THAT'S
IMPORTANT.

EVEN IF
YOU DO SEEM
LIKE KIND OF
A MORON.

THERE'RE A FEW
PEOPLE LIKE ME OUT
THERE--ONES WHO KNOW,
ONES WHO *STILL BELIEVE*,
ONES WHO *AREN'T*
AFRAID.

THAT'S HOW
I RECOGNIZED
YOU. WE ALL *TALK*
ON THE DARK
CHANNELS.

I THOUGHT
THERE WAS A CHANCE
YOU OR SOME OTHER JEDI
MIGHT COME THROUGH HERE
LOOKING FOR CRYSTALS,
ESPECIALLY NOW THAT
ILUM'S LOCKED UP.

AND IF YOU
DID, I WANTED
TO BE HERE.



I NEVER ASKED YOU TO KILL THESE PEOPLE.

AND YOU NEVER WOULD. THAT'S WHY I HAD TO DO IT.



NO. THEY DIED FOR NOTHING. THERE'S NO KYBER HERE.

NOT *HERE*. BUT NOT SO FAR AWAY... YES.

AND IF NOT FOR ME, YOU'D BE IN AN IMPERIAL CELL RIGHT NOW BEING TORTURED, WHILE THESE PEOPLE SPENT THEIR **BLOOD MONEY** GETTING DRUNK.



WE DON'T KNOW THAT. WE *CAN'T* KNOW THAT.

ALL WE KNOW IS THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE DEAD BY *YOUR HAND*.

I'M LEAVING, GRETTA. TRY TO LIVE A BETTER LIFE.



COME ON, ARTOO. I SENSED SHE WAS TELLING THE TRUTH. THERE *IS* KYBER HERE, SOMEWHERE.

WE JUST NEED TO FIND IT.



YOU'RE GOING THE **WRONG WAY!**



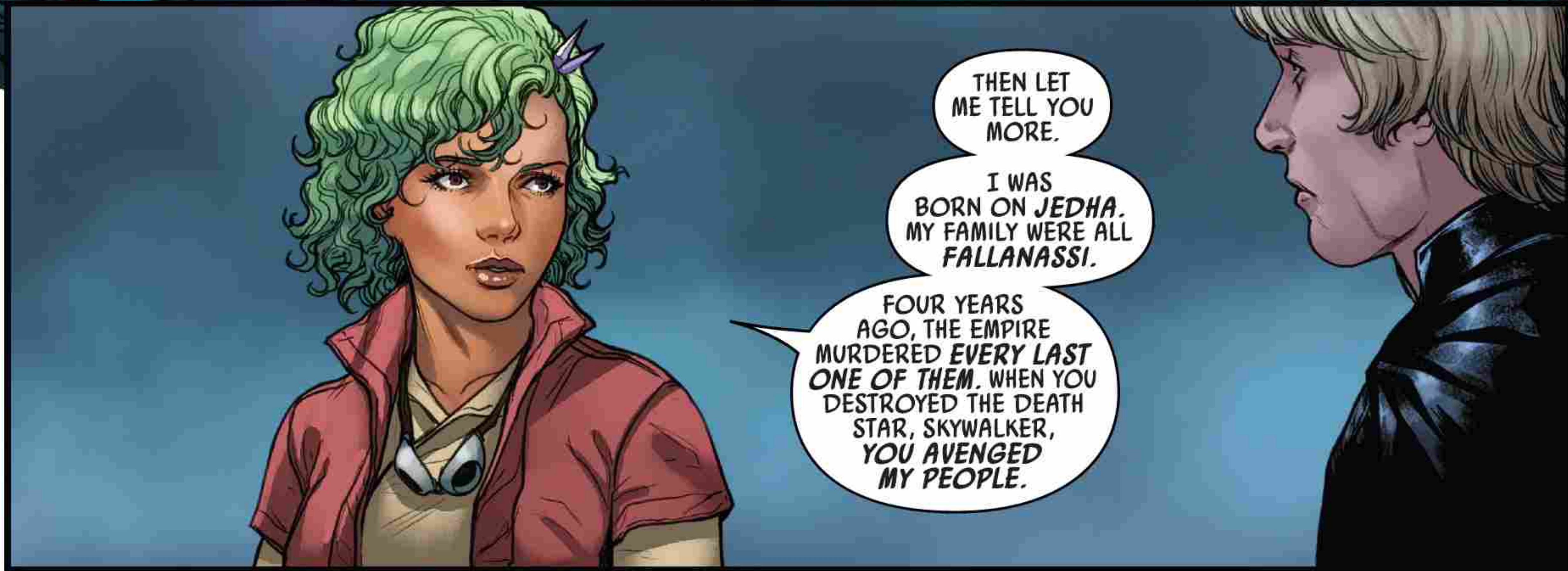
AND... SHE'S GOT A **SPEEDER**.



JUST
LET ME HELP
YOU.

WHY? THE
ONLY THING I KNOW
ABOUT YOU FOR SURE
IS THAT YOU'RE
A KILLER.

I DON'T
WANT YOUR
HELP.



THEN LET
ME TELL YOU
MORE.

I WAS
BORN ON JEDHA.
MY FAMILY WERE ALL
FALLANASSI.

FOUR YEARS
AGO, THE EMPIRE
MURDERED *EVERY LAST*
ONE OF THEM. WHEN YOU
DESTROYED THE DEATH
STAR, SKYWALKER,
YOU AVENGED
MY PEOPLE.



I DIDN'T...
THAT'S NOT
WHY...

IT DOESN'T
MATTER *WHY* OR
IF YOU DID IT ON
PURPOSE.

I WANTED
EVERYONE ON THAT
BATTLE STATION *DEAD*.
IF I COULD HAVE
DONE IT MYSELF, I
WOULD HAVE.



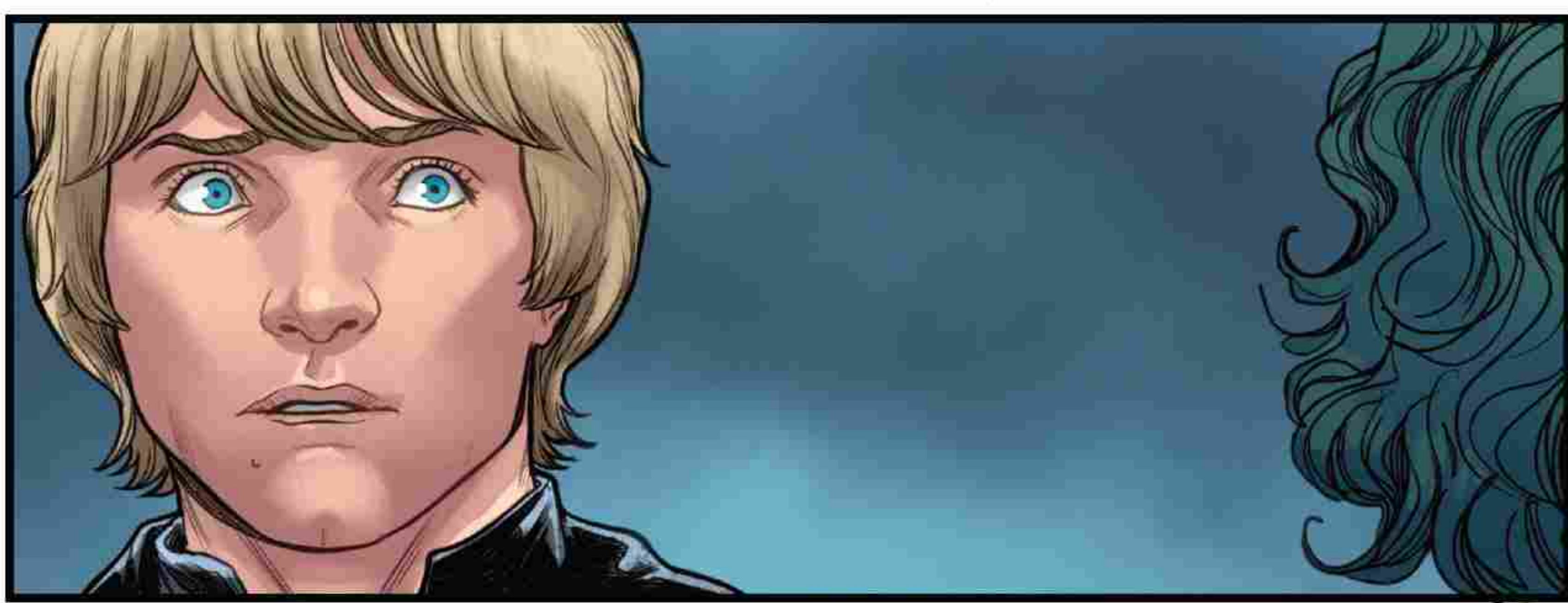
IT WAS
BEYOND MY
POWER.



BUT NOT
YOURS.

YOU GAVE ME
WHAT I WANTED,
JEDI. YOU CLOSED
A HOLE IN MY
HEART.

LET ME
REPAY THE
FAVOR, AS
BEST AS
I CAN.



GO BACK
TO THE SHIP, ARTOO.
WAIT FOR ME THERE. IF
YOU DON'T HEAR FROM
ME IN A DAY, HEAD BACK.
TELL THE OTHERS
WHERE I AM.



**DWORP,
DWORP?!
BWOOOOP!**

IT'S ALL
RIGHT.

I NEED
TO DO
THIS.

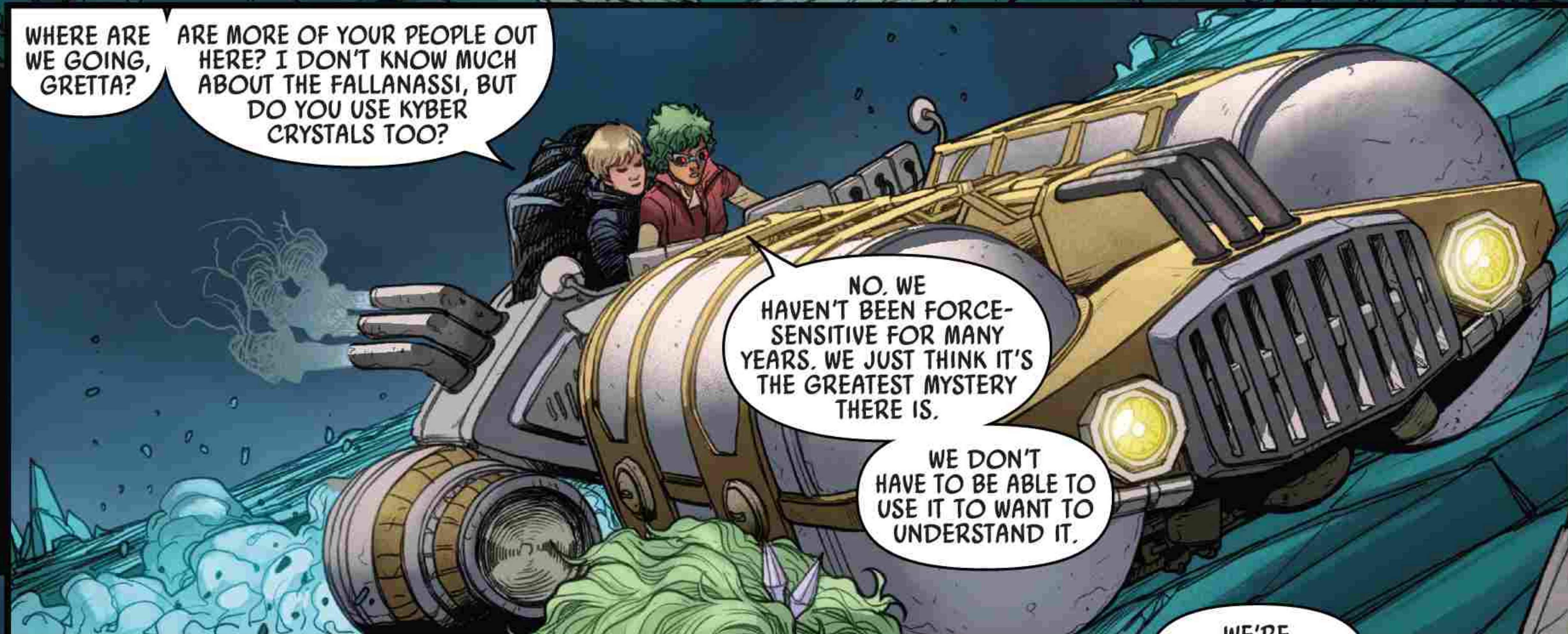


DWIIIP...



WHERE ARE
WE GOING,
GRETTA?

ARE MORE OF YOUR PEOPLE OUT
HERE? I DON'T KNOW MUCH
ABOUT THE FALLANASSI, BUT
DO YOU USE KYBER
CRYSTALS TOO?



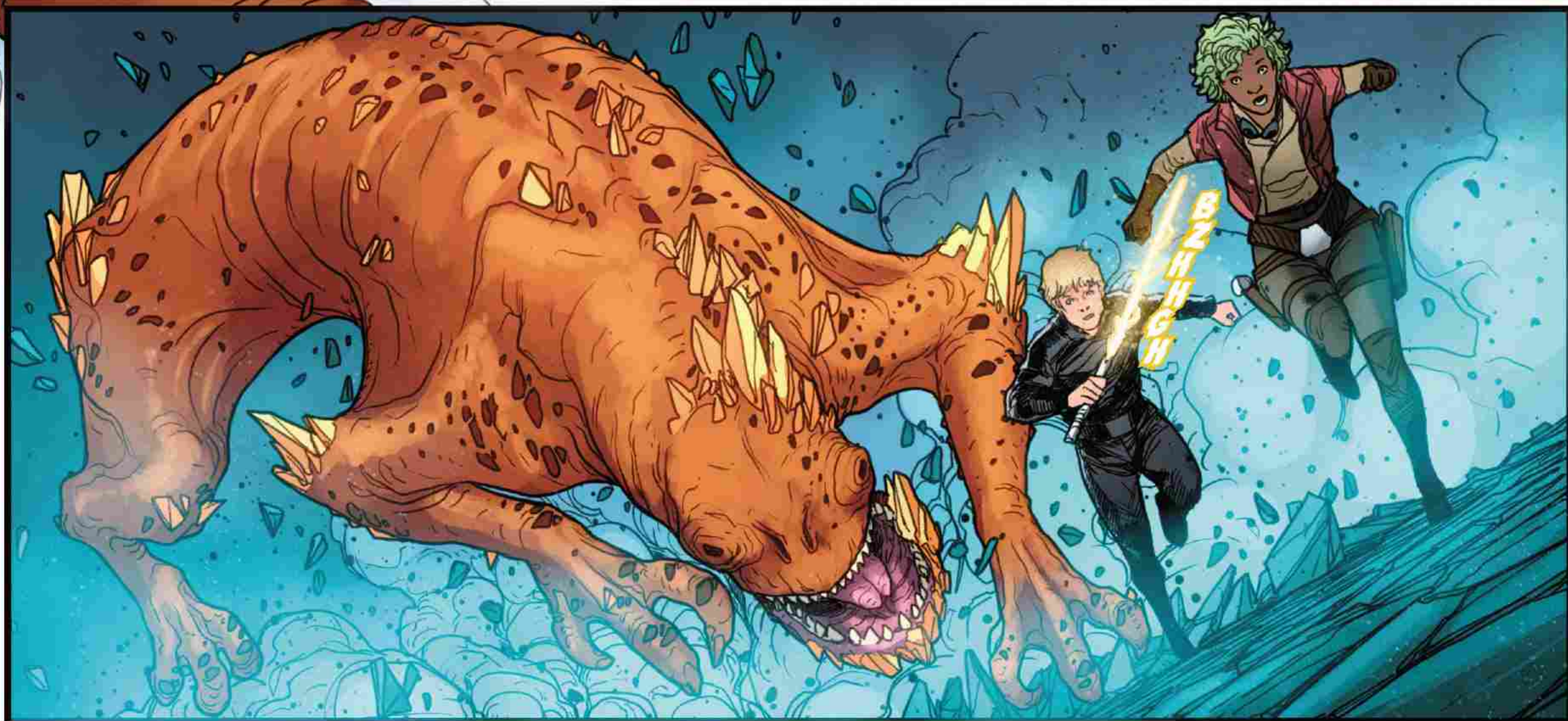
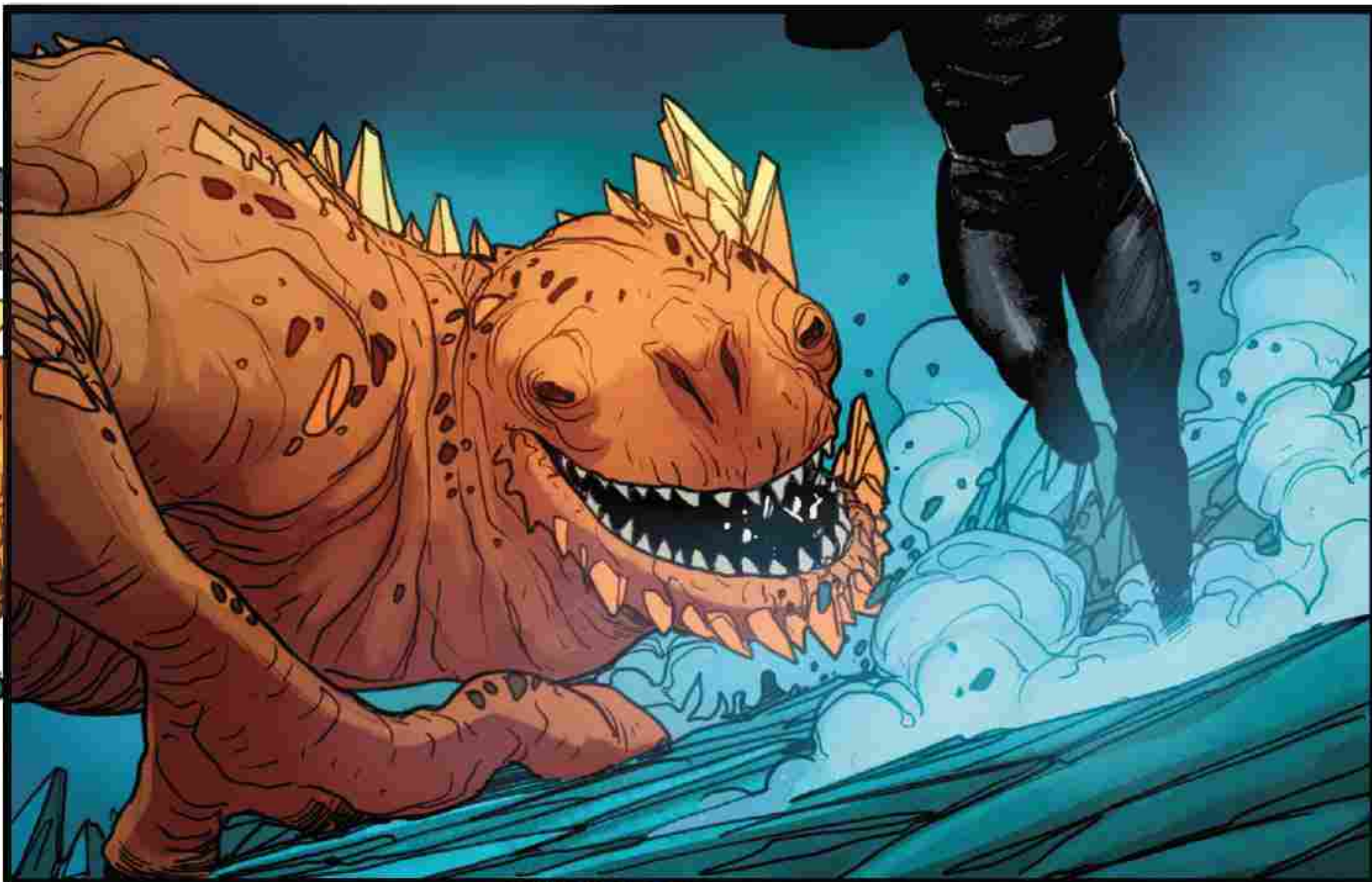
NO. WE
HAVEN'T BEEN FORCE-
SENSITIVE FOR MANY
YEARS. WE JUST THINK IT'S
THE GREATEST MYSTERY
THERE IS.

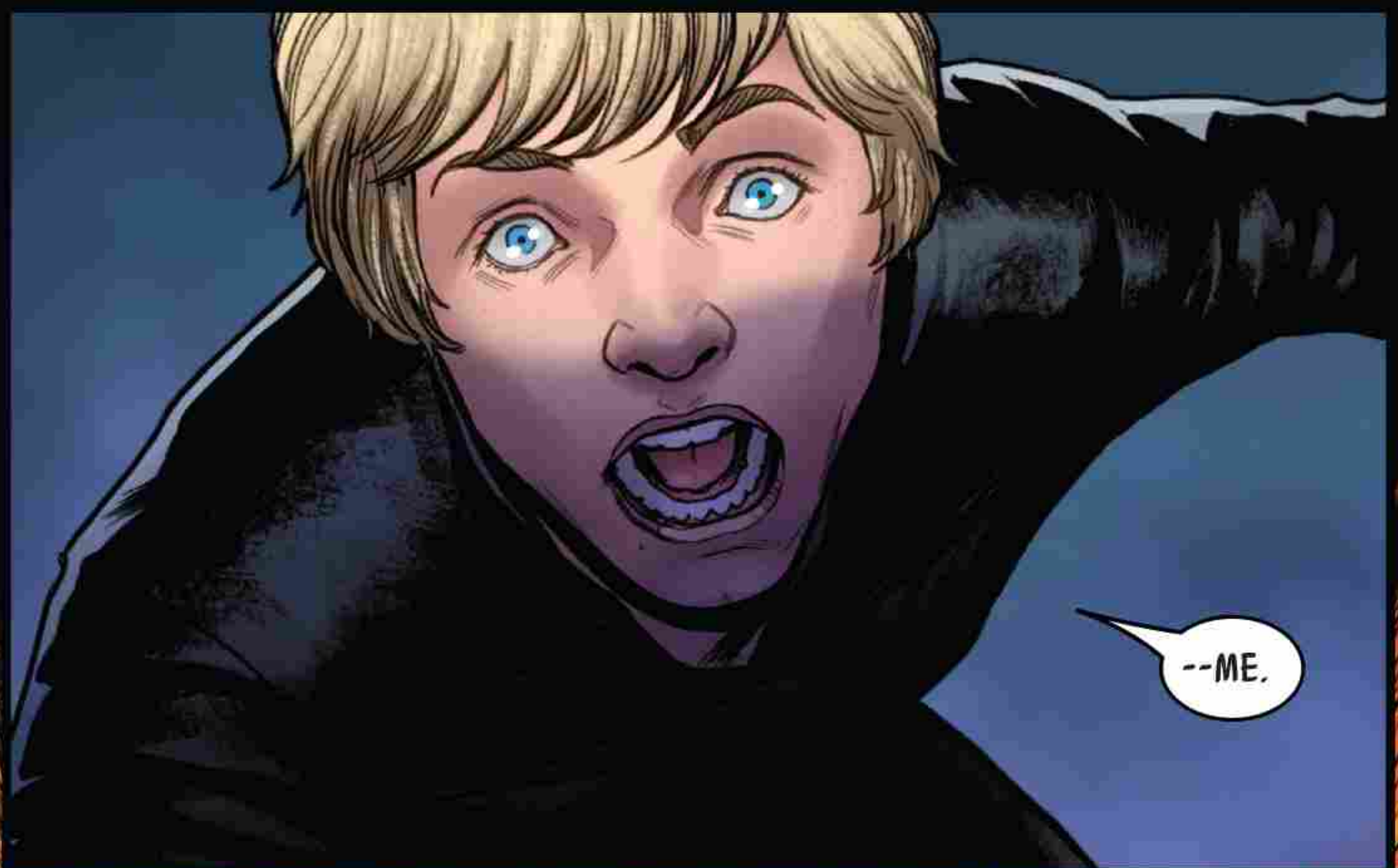
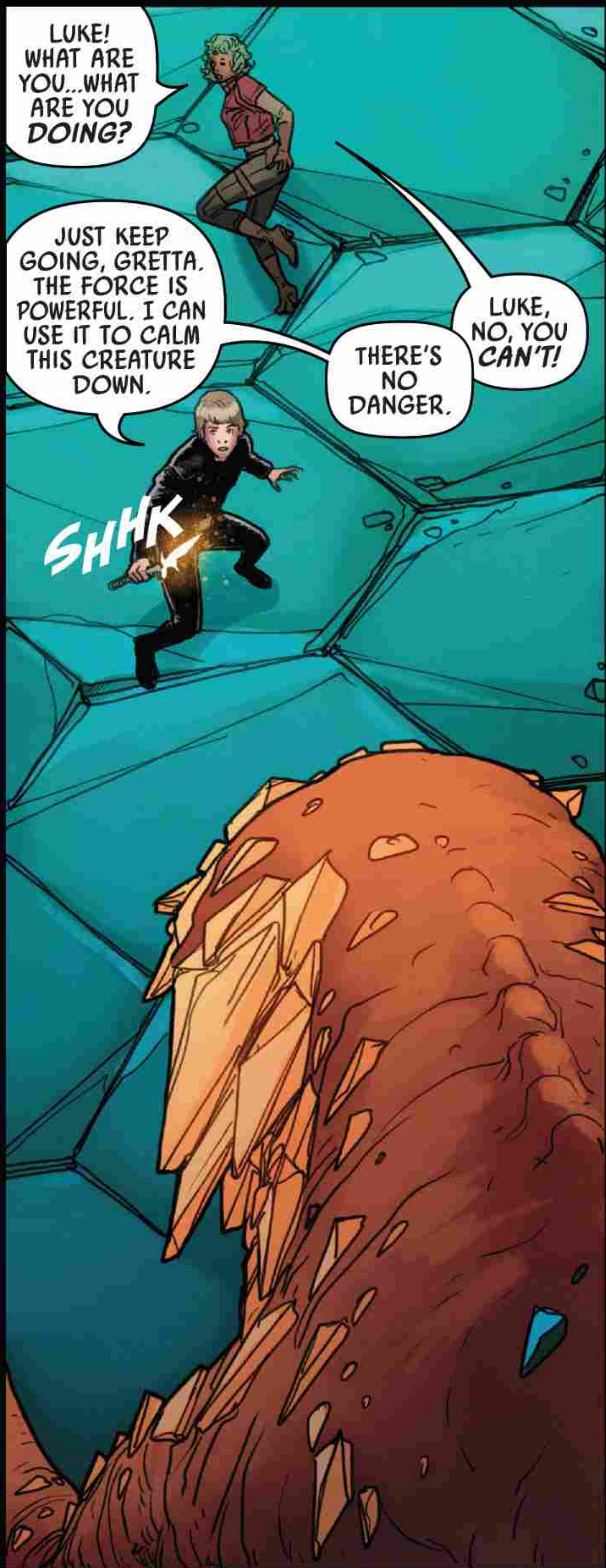
WE DON'T
HAVE TO BE ABLE TO
USE IT TO WANT TO
UNDERSTAND IT.

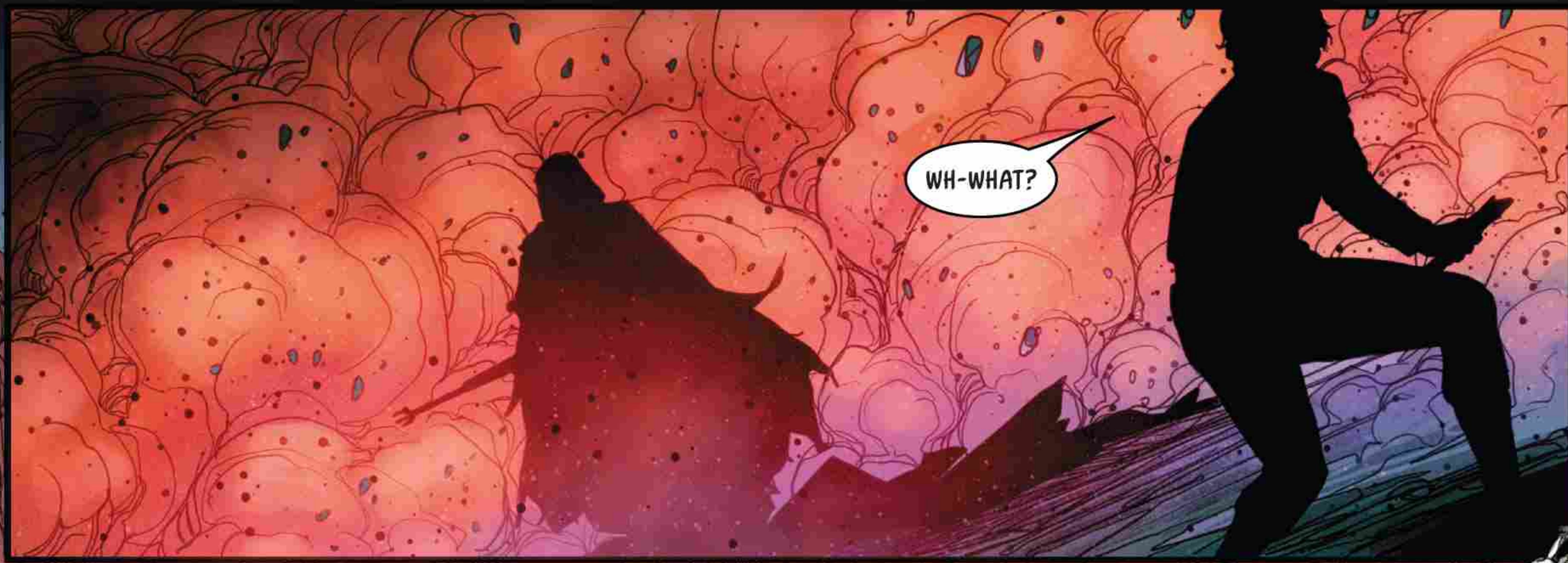
WE'RE
LOOKING FOR
A MAN. HIS NAME
IS CUATA.











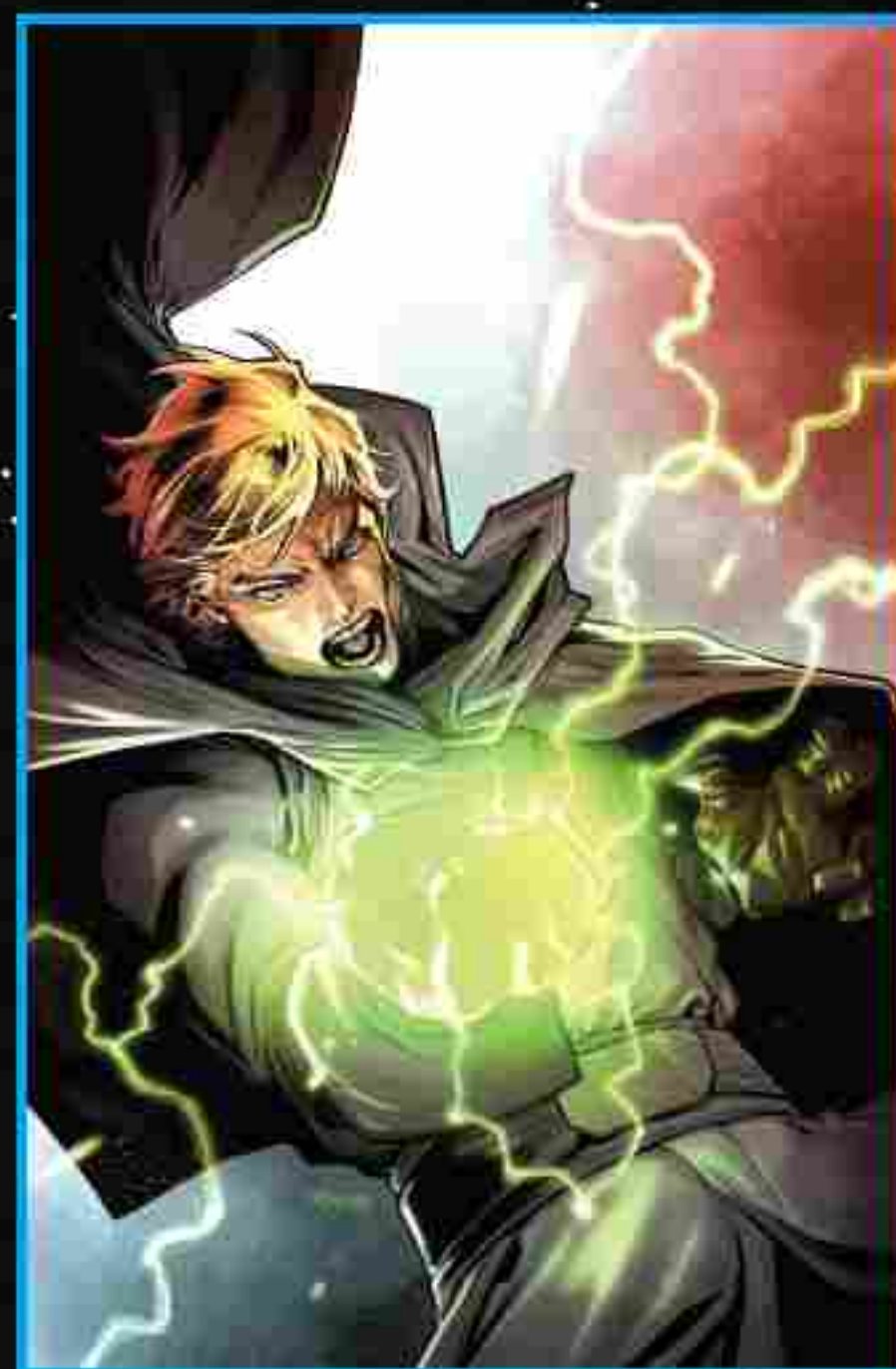
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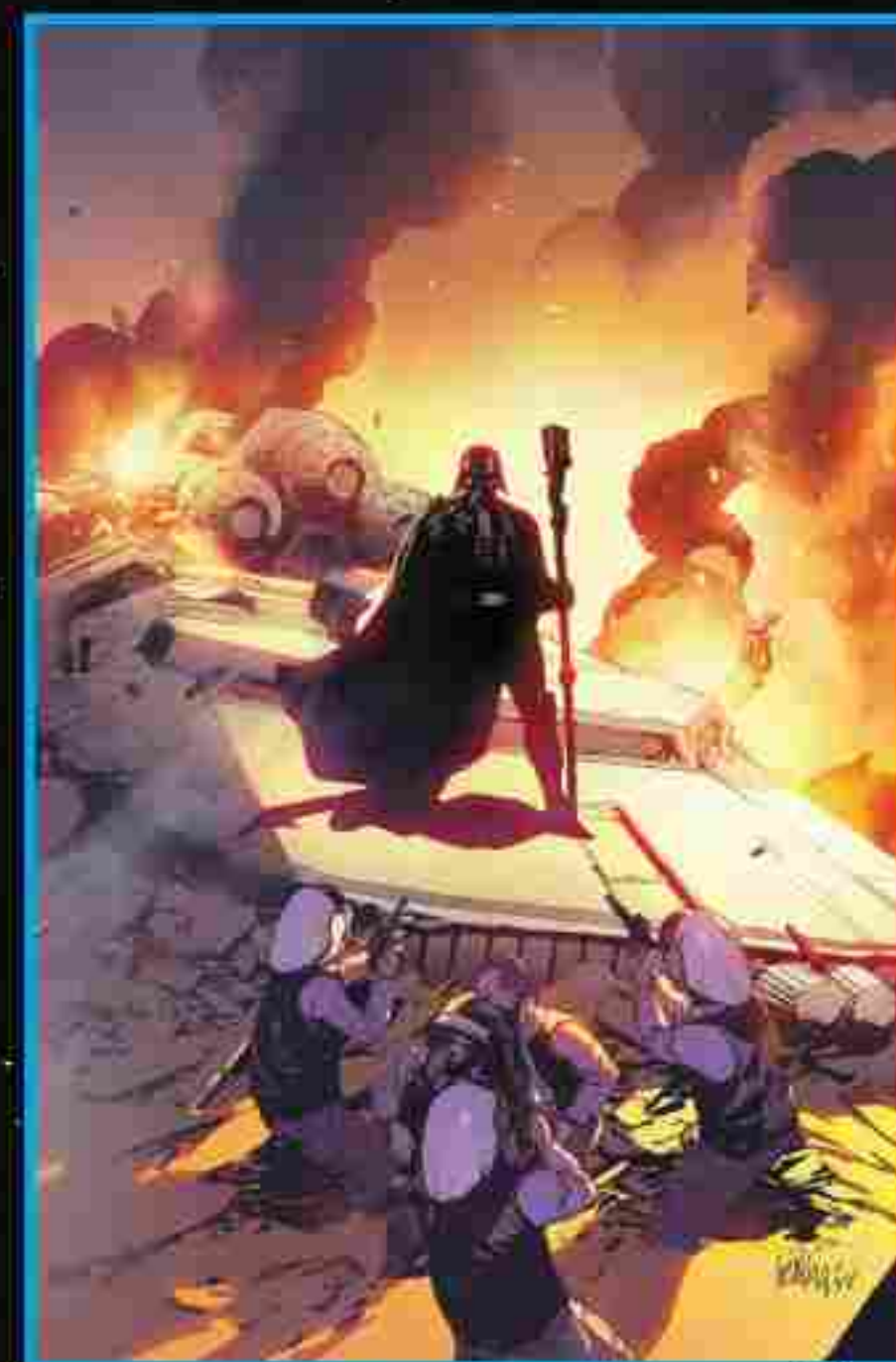
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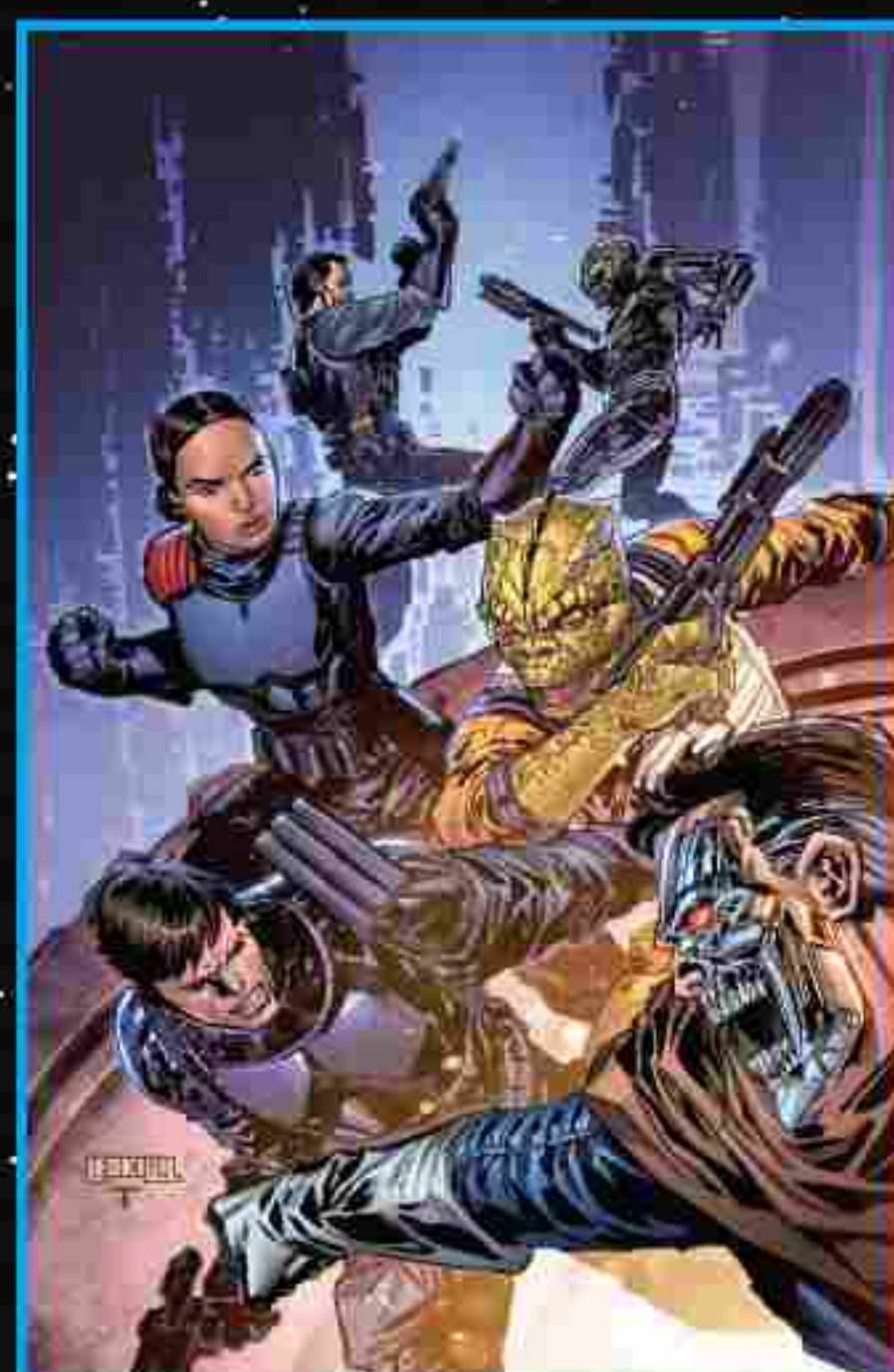
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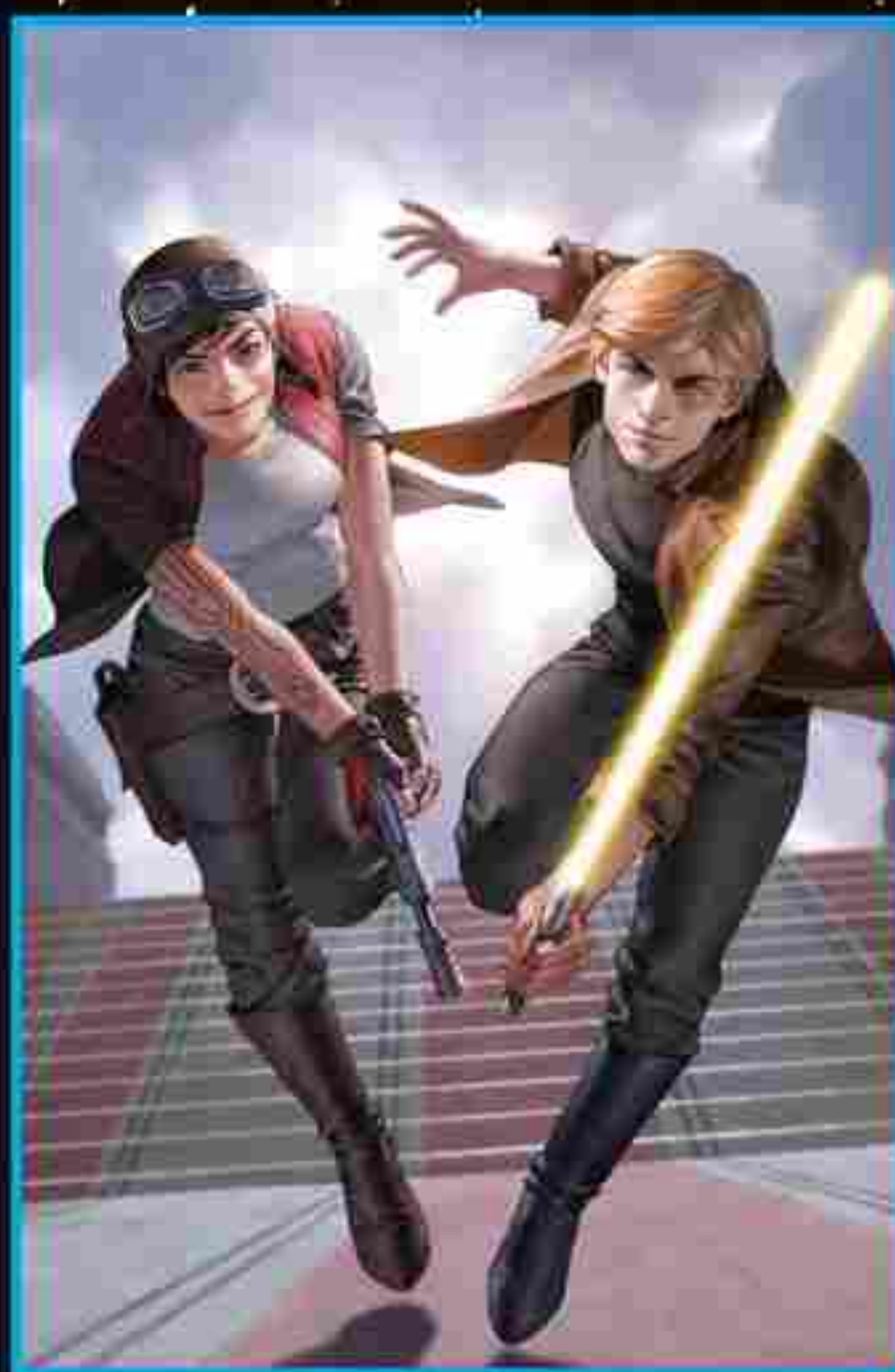
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